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From April 2021 to July 2024, MUDA prints 5,000 allotment letters, violating annual 500 limit

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Mysuru, Aug. 14 (BCT)- Every week, new irregularities in Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) site allocation scam are coming to light, with the latest revelation exposing the blatant misuse of site allotment letters or High-Security Bond Sheets.

Over the past four years, MUDA has issued 4,839 site allotment letters — each barcoded and numbered **High-Security Bond Sheet** with tamper-proof features, serving as the official site sanction letter by MUDA.

Records obtained by *Star of Mysore* reveal that between April 6, 2021 and July 3, 2024 (38 months and 27 days), the MUDA Commissioner procured 4,839 High-Security Bond Sheets through his Personal Assistant for official use.

(See BOND on page 7)

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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Wednesday 14th August 2024

Special offer at 'World of Silver'

Mysuru, Aug. 14- Silver has been an important part of Indian culture and tradition. Buying silver is considered auspicious during *Varamahalakshmi*.

As part of this year's *Varamahalakshmi* festival (Aug. 16), the 'World of Silver' store on Devaraj Urs Road has special offers for those buying exquisite silver articles and jewellery — from puja artefacts to authentic and luxurious silver collection, perfect pieces of silverware like dinner sets to compliment one's dining room. Shoppers can avail Rs. 6,000 off on 1 kg silver articles and 20% off on silver jewellery.

Apart from elevating one's decor with splendid silver collectables, people can celebrate the fest with exquisite silver idols, crafted with devotion, as it embodies purity and tradition. 'World of Silver' is devoted to quality and is a cut above ordinary.

A press release from the store says, "When we look forward to establish the brand, we consider to care for every artefact and piece of article to be more of an investment than a purchase. We ensure to keep the interest of customers including authenticity and above all establishing trust in our esteemed customers."

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

THE WAY OUT OF IGNORANCE: ***The composition of a song needs the blend of both*** *sruthi* ***and*** *laya*. ***As an adage says,*** *Sruthi matha, layam pitha* ***— a song will be good with both*** *sruthi* ***and*** *laya*, ***like a child growing up well-groomed by its parents. Equally, prosody and alliteration are essential for a poem. Creating rhythms*** *(Sandham)* ***without changing the meanings is tough, and Sri Arunagirinathar deftly handled them in his works. Hence he is called*** *Sandhakkavi*. ***Similarly, none can equal Saint Thiruvalluvar in describing righteousness and Kambar in writing*** *Kavya*.

Lanka Sri Jeyaraj said as long as desires grip people, their knowledge is dominated by ignorance like a vessel covered by rust. The mind will constantly be wavering. Even if one faculty is let loose and uncontrolled, it will drag the other four its way. It is important for a person to realise his mistakes and refine himself. Sri Arunagirinathar repented all his past misdeeds with a contrite heart and became an ascetic with the blessings of Lord Muruga. In his divine composition, *Kandhar Anubhoothi,* ***the saint says that his relationship with people changed and his ignorance got destroyed as soon as he received the blessings from Lord Muruga*** *(Kuriyai Kuriyadhu Kuritharum Neri).*

Reciting *Kandhar Abubhoothi* ***will help a person transform, derive the blessings of Lord Muruga and reach the realm of His abode.*** *—In The Hindu*

NEWS SPARKLERS

This lighter is more expensive than a Ferrari

Paris: Made with 400 grams of solid gold and decorated with 152 sapphires, the Louis XIII Fleur de Parme is recognised as the world's most expensive cigar lighter.

French luxury brand S.T. Dupont started working on the Louis XIII Fleur de Parme cigar lighter at the special request of Steven Hung, a Hong Kong billionaire with a passion for French history.

Inspired by the Renaissance/ Baroque style of the King Louis XIII era, the one-of-a-kind LOUIS XIII Fleur de Parme lighter is designed as a royal gold crown sitting on a decorative base. It is made out of 400 grams of solid gold and decorated with 152 sapphires totalling 41 karats.

Unveiled in 2013, the LOUIS XIII Fleur de Parme was soon acknowledged by the Guinness Book of Records as the world's most expensive cigar lighter, commanding an eye-watering price of $500,000 from its buyer.

These sheep have serious junk in the trunk

Baghdad: Fat-tailed sheep are a type of domestic sheep mainly found in arid areas and known for accumulating fat, mainly in the rear part of their bodies, which not only gives them a unique look but also helps them stay cool in extreme heat.

Native to the Middle East and North Africa, fat-tailed sheep have been around for thousands of years. Although there are several fat-tailed sheep breeds, most of them have broad fat-tails where large amounts of fat are accumulated in buttock-like deposits in the hind parts of a sheep, on both sides. Some of them end up looking like they had a Brazilian butt lift, which makes them really popular with breeders.

HEALTH CAPSULE

During summer, remember breastfed babies do not need any water until they have started eating solid foods. During hot weather they may want to breastfeed more than usual.

By Mrs. Vinutha S - Lactation Counsellor
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

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Nritya Sanje tomorrow

Spoorthi Bhat and Ranjitha Rao

Mysuru, Aug. 14- Nrityagiri has organised *Nritya Sanje*, a Bharatanatyam recital by Vidushis Spoorthi Bhat and Ranjitha Rao (students of Dr. Kripa Phadke) at Nrityagiri Auditorium in city on Aug.15 at 6 pm.

The main intention of the concert series is to spread the joy and glory of Indian art forms among the fraternity and cause a culturally strong Bharatham, says Guru Dr. Kripa Phadke.

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TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= **Rs. 83.93**
1 UK Pound	= **Rs. 107.71**
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VOICE OF THE READER

Enforce lane discipline on Outer Ring Road

Sir,

This refers to the news item titled ***'Speed Limits Set on Outer Ring Road'*** published in *Star of Mysore* dated Aug. 11, 2024.

The Police authorities have specified speed limits in four categories, ranging from 20 kmph to 60 kmph. To ensure compliance, lane discipline is paramount. Currently, all classes of vehicles use all lanes, leading to chaotic driving conditions.

Two-wheelers, autos and tractors must be restricted to the extreme left lane while the middle lane should be designated for heavy vehicles and the right lane reserved for cars.

This lane discipline must be strictly enforced by installing as many AI cameras as possible to monitor and penalise errant drivers. Without this enforcement, the new speed limits will be meaningless and will not serve their intended purpose.

—G. Sreenivasa Murthy
Vidyashankar Layout
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Book release & dance recital

Mysuru, Aug. 14- Ganabharathi and Raasavrunda School of Dance, Mysuru, have organised a programme to release the book *'Nartanada Madhura Bhaktiya Margadalli Geetagovinda'* in memory of Dr. K. Rama Shastry and on the occasion of Nartana Namana at Veene Seshanna Bhavana in Kuvempunagar on Aug. 17 at 6 pm.

The book, authored by Vidu. Nandini Eswer, will be released by Vidwan Viraraghavacharya Swami, Founder-Chairman of Sri Vishvamangala Lakshmi Narasimhaswamy Kshetram, Belagola. Renowned dance guru and Secretary of Ganabharathi Dr. Kripa Phadke will be the guest of honour.

This will be followed by a dance performance by the artistes of Raasavrunda on select Ashtapadis of Jayadeva's Geetagovinda. Dance Choreography is by Vidu. Nandini Eswer, Direction by Dr. Rohitha Eswer. The performing artistes are: Chinmayee Bharadwaj, M.S. Nityashree, Rohitha Eswer, M.A.

Anisha, L. Kundanika, M. Keerthana and G. Pratiksha.

The Geeta Govinda is a work composed by the 12th century poet, Jayadeva. It describes the relationship between Radha, Krishna and Gopis of Vrindavana. The work delineates the love of Krishna for Radha. It is symbolically taken as human soul's straying from its true allegiance but returning at length to the God. The core essence of Geeta Govinda is Madhura bhakti.

Free career guidance

Mysuru, Aug. 14- Banjara Academy, Bengaluru, has been providing free counselling for career, relationships, emotional disturbances and enriching life, since the past four decades.

To reach out to families in Mysuru, the Founder and Chairman, Dr. Ali Khwaja, a graduate of IIT Bombay, who holds a Doctorate in Behavioural Sciences and is an acknowledged career counsellor, will be available in Gokulam on Aug. 15 and 16 by prior appointment for free career guidance.

Also, Sonal Patel, Director of Banjara's Gurukul, will be available for issues related to children with special needs. Interested may get details on Mob: 88614-21666 or 88617-92260.

Talk on 'Responsible AI in the times of Generative AI'

Mysuru, Aug. 14- Mysore Open Forum has organised a talk on *'Responsible AI in the times of Generative AI'* by Dr. Carolyn Watters, Professor Emeritus, Faculty of Computer Science at Dalhousie University in Halifax, Canada, at 10.30 am on Aug. 18 at Kalpa Kshetra Auditorium in Vijayanagar 4th Stage, 1st Phase, Mysuru. The talk is open to all. Interested may call Mob: 94498-19536.

Profile: Dr. Carolyn Watters, Professor Emeritus at Dalhousie University in Halifax, Canada, has served as the Dean of Graduate Studies and subsequently as the Provost and Vice-President Academic for the University.

While Dean of Graduate studies and Provost, she led many international initiatives to build collaborative programmes with Universities and governments. On secondment from Dalhousie University, Dr. Watters served

Dr. Carolyn Watters

as the inaugural Chief Digital Research Officer of the National Research Council Canada 2019-2021.

In service to the larger community, Dr. Watters has chaired the Maritime Provinces Higher Education Commission, served as President of the Canadian Association for Graduate Studies, and served as a board member to national organisations, including the Fields Institute for Research in Mathematical Sciences, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council and Advisor to Mitacs, a national funding agency to enhance industrial and social innovation.

Generative Artificial Intelligence (Gen AI) has become a global phenomenon raising the promise of revolutionary impacts on economic and social systems, both nationally and internationally. At the same time, these expectations are driving a growing recognition of potential harm from lack of transparency, bias, hallucinations, and increased demand for computing power.

In this talk she will discuss both the path of AI development leading to the natural language Generative AI, like ChatGPTs, that we see today and the current status of Responsible AI policies and regulations to attempt to regulate the impact of these systems on people.

Pratibha Puraskar for Brahmin students

Mysuru, Aug. 14- Adarsha Seva Sangha will present Pratibha Puraskar to Trimathasta Brahmin students who have scored 90% marks in SSLC and post-SSLC courses on Sept.1 at Sri Ganapathy Ashram's Nadamantapa. Last date to apply is Aug. 20. Call Ph: 0821-3559202 or Mob: 93411-47460.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Silent March this evening

Strongly condemning the atrocities and violent attacks against the minority Hindu community in neighbouring Bangladesh, Mysuru Youth Foundation will take out a silent march in city at 5 pm this evening (Aug. 14), in memory of the Hindus killed in the violence there. The march will commence from Kote Anjaneyaswamy Temple at the Palace North Gate and will pass through Gandhi Square to reach Town Hall, where candle lights will be lit praying for the souls of those killed, according to a press release. For details, contact Mob: 90359-53101, 99864-45887.

Independence Day celebration

City's Jagadguru Sri Shivarathreeshwara Auto Drivers Owners Association will be celebrating Independence Day in front of the old gate of JSS Hospital on Ramanuja Road at the stroke of midnight today (Aug. 14). Ex-Serviceman Srinivas will hoist the National Flag in the presence of MLA T.S. Srivatsa and former MLA M.K. Somashekar. [Mob: 91417-35275]

Aadhaar Seva Kendras Closed

On account of Independence Day, Aadhaar Seva Kendras at Saraswathipuram and Vijayanagar in the city will remain closed on Aug. 15, according to a press release from Aadhaar Seva Kendra Centre Manager Col. N.G. Krishna Prasad (retd.).

Matrimonial Meet

City's Sri Basaveshwara Vadhu-Varara Vivaha Vedike, Shivapura, Manandavadi Road, will be holding a matrimonial meet of Veerashaiva-Lingayat brides and bridegrooms at Sri Vidyabharathi Kalyana Mantapa on Uttaradi Mutt Road, Near Gun House in the heart of the city at 3 pm on Aug. 18. Interested prospective Veerashaiva-Lingayat brides and bridegrooms from Mysuru, Chamarajanagar, Mandya and Kodagu districts, can register before Aug. 17. [Mob: 96862-05346]

Pratibha Puraskar

City's Karnataka Rajya Nayakara Hitarakshana Vedike has invited applications from meritorious children of Nayaka community members, who have scored more than 80 percent marks in SSLC and PUC (2023-24), for presentation of Pratibha Puraskar. Eligible students can apply along with their marks card, photo and other necessary records before Aug. 20. The applications must be sent to Whatsapp No. 70196-50325. For details, contact Kerehalli Madesh on Mob: 98802-46878.

Plastic chair for wheelchair!

Septuagenarian carried on a chair to conduct various tests at K.R. Hospital; irked MLA K. Harishgowda takes Dean, Medical Superintendent to task

Mysuru, Aug. 14 (BS)- Krishna Rajendra (KR) Hospital, popular as *Doddaspatre* in this part of the region, is in news again for wrong reasons, that holds mirror to the continued apathy of the authorities concerned and the patients, who are made to suffer in silence.

The case in point this time is, lack of a wheelchair to take elderly patients irrespective of in-patient and outpatient department, within the Hospital. This came to fore, when the relatives of an elderly woman had to carry her on a plastic chair for treatment yesterday.

The 76-year-old Sumathi from Bannimantap here was unwell and her family members had brought her to K.R. Hospital. Following first aid at the Emergency, the doctors referred a few tests for her, to be conducted in different departments of the Hospital.

However, the wheelchair was not available to take her for the tests. Unfazed family members of Sumathi, carried her for conducting different tests. However, what they badly needed was a wheelchair to take her to ENT Department with ease. The only wheelchair they could spot was locked with one of its wheels tied to a cot with a chain.

The doctor attending on her also told the nurse to arrange a wheelchair for her, but all the efforts went in vain. Even after waiting for 30 minutes, they could not get a wheelchair. With no option left, the woman's relatives requested the doctor to spare the plastic chair and the latter readily consented.

As the video of the incident went viral, Chamaraja MLA K. Harishgowda, who came across the heart-rending incident, called Dr. K.R. Dakshayani, Dean and Director of Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI), the umbrella body of K.R. Hospital and its Medical Superintendent Dr. H.P. Shobha, and took them to task. The MLA rushed to the hospital and insisted that wheelchairs be made available to the patients at the hospital.

Meanwhile, high drama was witnessed, as Dr. Shobha, who had to face the wrath of the MLA again, offered to quit the job, speaking in a choked tone and started walking away. The MLA tried to convince her by saying that, the problem won't be solved with her resignation. Instead, the duty has to be discharged with responsibility without giving room for any dejection while on job, he said.

Amid this, the MLA learnt about wheelchairs lying idle in a room, but when he reached the room, the door was found locked. Nobody knew about the key to open the lock and the staff there had to break open the paddock with a stone. To the utter shock of those present, the wheelchairs and stretchers were found inside, but not to put to use.

The reason behind this gross mismanagement was the unruly ward boys and attendants outsourced through an agency, who care a hoot to carry out instructions of doctors and the staff. The MLA directed the authorities to replace the agency with a new one to address the situation.

Rider killed as car hits bike

Mysuru, Aug. 14 (SPN&KS)- A two-wheeler was killed on the spot when a car hit the bike he was riding on Bogadi Ring Road yesterday night.

The deceased has been identified as Shankar (35), a resident of Hattalu village in H.D. Kote taluk.

Shankar was proceeding on his bike (KA-09-HR-3756) from Bogadi towards Yelwal when a speeding car (KA-13-P-6082) hit the bike killing Shankar on the spot.

The car driver reportedly fled from the spot and the car's registration number plate was found at the accident spot.

Kuvempunagar Traffic Police, who rushed to the spot, conducted mahazar, shifted the body to MMC&RI mortuary besides registering a case.

The Police, who have collected the car's registration number plate, are in the process of tracing the car owner.

Court sentences man to 7 years jail for killing wife

Mysuru, Aug. 14 (GA&KS)- City's 7th Additional District and Sessions Court has sentenced a man to seven years rigorous imprisonment after he was found guilty of doubting his wife and murdering her.

The man who was sentenced is 35-year-old Rajesh, a resident of Bannimantap 'C' Layout in city while his deceased wife is Radha.

Rajesh and Radha were staying in Bannimantap 'C' Layout along with their children. Rajesh, who used to suspect his wife, had taken away her mobile phone and had kept it with him. He also used to doubt his wife whenever she used to wear good dresses and go out.

Rajesh, who did not go to work regularly, used to stay in the house and was not giving money to run the house. Fed up with this, Radha had told him to go to his native place which led to misunderstanding between them.

On Aug. 8, 2022 at about 6.30 am, Rajesh struck the right side of Radha's head with a machete killing her, following which, house owner Mamatha lodged a complaint at Narasimharaja (NR) Police Station. The then NR Inspector Azaruddin, who conducted an investigation, had submitted the charge-sheet to the Court.

Judge M. Ramesh, who took up the case, heard the arguments from both sides, found accused Rajesh guilty of the crime and sentenced him to seven years rigorous imprisonment besides imposing a fine of Rs. 1,000. Public Prosecutor K. Nagaraj argued on behalf of the Government.

Man killed with beer bottle

Body found in big drain near Devayyana Hundi

Mysuru, Aug. 14 (SBD&KS)- A body of a man who was allegedly murdered was found in the big drain near Devayyana Hundi. The man is said to have been hit to death with a beer bottle late on Sunday night and the incident came to light lately.

The deceased has been identified as Manju (35) a resident of Devayyana Hundi and a construction worker by profession. It is learnt that two strangers, who threatened two youths from Srirampura, who were sitting on the bridge of the big drain, snatched the beer bottle they were holding and using the same beer bottle the strangers are said to have murdered Manju.

On Sunday at about 11 pm, Manoj of Srirampura along with his friend Mahendra came to a bar on Manandavadi Road to get a bottle of beer to his relative. They then came to Nanjumalige where they parcelled non veg food and were returning to Srirampura.

When they were proceeding from Devayyana Hundi Road to the big drain road, they heard someone calling in front of the BCM Hostel. Neglecting the call, Manoj and Mahendra sat on the bridge and began to consume the food they had brought with them.

Soon, a passenger auto came to the bridge and a man, who got down from the auto began to look inside the big drain. He later brandished a knife and threatened Manoj and Mahendra. Meanwhile, another person, who came out from the big drain, snatched the beer bottle Manoj was holding and both the strangers went inside the drain.

Soon Manoj and Mahendra heard someone screaming from inside the drain and on observing, they saw the two strangers hitting the head on another person with the beer bottle four to five times and fleeing away in the auto.

Afraid and shocked, Manoj and Mahendra went home and called the Emergency Response Support System (ERSS) number 112 and informed the Police about the incident.

Soon, Police rushed to the spot and summoned Manoj and Mahendra and collected information from them. Based on the complaint from Manoj, Ashokapuram Police have registered a case and are investigating.

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HC settles Chamundi Hill land dispute: Declares forest land

Hill land designated as State forest land in 1940 under the Mysore Forest Act of 1900

Mysuru, Aug. 14 (BCT)- The Karnataka High Court has resolved the long-standing dispute over the land atop Chamundi Hill where a multi-storey parking lot complex was constructed, ruling that the land is classified as forest land based on records from the Forest Department.

This decision of the High Court Division Bench of Justice Krishna S. Dixit and Justice Ramachandra D. Huddar overturned the Aug. 29, 2011 verdict of the Trial Court which had declared the land as private property belonging to the family of one Mallaiah and others.

The conflict began with the construction of a multi-storey parking lot by the Karnataka State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC), which was built on a 20-year lease from the Forest Department to accommodate the vehicles of visitors to the Hill shrine.

Mallaiah's family had claimed possession of the land in survey number 34/1, including the land where the parking lot was built and had provided revenue records having their names as owners. They had argued that it was private land that was in the name of their ancestors.

This led to a legal battle that started in 2011. The Trial Court

initially ruled in favour of Mallaiah's family, ordering State authorities to transfer the land to them. Following this, KSRTC appealed to the High Court, and simultaneously the Forest Department re-examined its records to establish ownership.

In 2023, it was revealed that Chamundi Hill had been designated as State forest land in 1940 under the Mysore Forest Act of 1900. This critical finding led the High Court to rule that once land is classified as forest, it retains that status permanently, bringing the dispute to a close.

The High Court has instructed authorities to update the revenue records within three months, bringing an end to the lengthy legal dispute.

We will try to get stay on Chamundi Hill Temple Authority vacated: CM

Bengaluru, Aug. 14 (KMS& DM)- With the Karnataka High Court staying the formation of Sri Chamundeshwari Hill Temple Development Authority (formed as per Shree Chamundeshwari Kshetra Development Authority Act, 2024), Chief Minister Siddaramaiah has said that the Government will make efforts to get the Court stay vacated at the earliest.

Speaking to presspersons at Koppal, where he had gone to inspect the broken gate of T.B. Dam at Munirabad on Tuesday, Siddaramaiah said that the erstwhile Mysuru Royal Family member Pramoda Devi Wadiyar had petitioned the HC questioning the Government's action of introducing the Act and forming the Authority, which she said was aimed at curtailing the powers of the erstwhile Royal Family.

The Court which heard her petition, has granted stay to the Act till Aug.22, he said adding that the Act, which was framed for development of Chamundeshwari Kshetra, was passed in the State Assembly in Feb.2024. He reiterated that the Government is taking steps to get the stay vacated.

First office to hear roadside vendors woes in city

Mysuru, Aug. 14 (MTY&BS)- In a first of its kind, an office exclusively for the cause of roadside vendors having set up their business in Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) limits has been opened in the city.

The office of Town Vending Committee and Grievances Redressal Committee was opened on the premises of Sewage Farm in Vidyaranyapuram recently.

Speaking after inaugurating the office, MCC Commissioner Ashaad-Ur-Rahman Shariff said, the City Corporation is committed towards honestly addressing the issues related to roadside vendors. The office provides a platform for the roadside vendors to discuss various development oriented issues, with the local officers deputed to respond to their woes. The vendors should make good use of the office to find solutions to their grievances.

Expressing his happiness over creating such a facility for the first time within the ambit of Law, for the welfare of roadside vendors, Commissioner Shariff said, programmes will be chalked out towards extending benefits to roadside vendors along with their development, besides creating awareness on cleanliness and providing dedicated space for them. Every roadside vendor will be issued identity card and certificate, he added.

Zonal Deputy Commissioner Manjunath Reddy, Additional Commissioner Kusuma Kumari, MCC Health Officer Dr.N.P. Venkatesh, retired Judge Vasanth Kumar, President of Karnataka Roadside Vendors Federation Bhaskar Srinivas Raje Urs, Members B.S. Ravi, R. Guruswamy, V. Vadivel, Prabhuswamy, V. Vishwanath, Basappa, Nagarathnamma, Bharati, Anitha Kumari and nominated members were present.

KPCC Women's Wing gets new President

Sowmya Reddy

Bengaluru, Aug. 14- Former MLA Sowmya Reddy , daughter of Transport Minister Ramalinga Reddy, has been appointed as the new State President of KPCC (Karnataka Pradesh Congress Committee) Women's Wing. She replaces Dr. Pushpa Amarnath, a former Mysuru ZP President, who held the post for almost six years.

Sowmya Reddy who was elected from Jayanagar Assembly segment in Bengaluru city in the 2018 Assembly Polls, however, lost the 2023 Assembly Polls by a very thin margin to C.K. Ramamurthy of the BJP. She had also unsuccessfully contested from Bengaluru South Constituency on a Congress ticket in the 2024 LS polls , losing to Tejaswi Surya of the BJP by a huge margin.

Though there were many aspirants for the post, Sowmya Reddy was appointed as the President of KPCC Women's Wing.

'Provide all facilities to ASHA workers'

Mysuru, Aug.14 (MTY&DM)- Charging the Government of exploiting ASHA workers by not paying them appropriately for their work, social activist Savitha Pa.Mallesh urged the Government to give all constitutionally mandated facilities to them.

She was speaking after inaugurating the district-level convention of ASHA workers, jointly organised under the aegis of Karnataka Rajya Samyukta ASHA Workers Association and AITUC at Maharaja College Centenary Hall here yesterday.

Observing that the Government has been providing jobs to women on contract basis as they do not question much, Savitha said that contractual women employees including ASHA workers must be considered as Government employees.

Pointing out that the Government has been giving a monthly honorarium of Rs.5,000, she said that, however, the ASHA workers are doing more work than what they are paid for. Questioning whether it is right to appoint ASHA workers who are serving in the crucial health sector on Contract basis, she said that the workers must be brought under the Labour Act and should be given all mandated rights and facilities.

AITUC leader Chandrashekar Meti in his address, said that the Government instead of appointing D Group employees, has been appointing women as social workers. Women are being appointed in key sectors as Krishi Sakhi, Pashu Sakhi etc., volunteers by paying them a stipulated honorarium, he said .

Noting that ASHA workers are being paid Rs.5,000 by the State Government and Rs.2,000 by the Central Government as monthly honorarium, Meti said that the fact is that these workers are doing more than 20 jobs for which they are not paid adequately.

Association Advisor P.S.Sandhya in her address, said that they are not paid monthly honorarium for the past 8-10 months.On the other hand, the work pressure on ASHA workers is increasing, she regretted.

The Association President Subhamangala, office-bearers Bhagya and G.S.Seema, AITUC leader V.Yashodhara and others were present.

Srirangapatna Dasara from Oct. 4

Mandya, Aug. 14- Mandya District In-charge and Agriculture Minister N. Cheluvarayaswamy has said that this year's Srirangapatna Dasara would be held for 3 or 5 days from Oct.4.

Presiding over a preliminary meeting on Dasara at ZP office here yesterday, Cheluvarayaswamy said that the Srirangapatna Dasara would be held in a grand manner this year and the officials should make preparations in this regard much earlier. Stressing on the need for ensuring that there are no lapses in the conduct of Dasara, the Minister said that committees should be formed in right earnest.

He pointed out that local artistes must be given prominence in Dasara programmes.

Mandya DC Dr.Kumara said that several committees have been already formed for ensuring the success of Srirangapatna Dasara.

MLAs Rameshbabu Bandisiddegowda and H.T. Manju, ZP CEO Shaikh Tanveer Asif, SP Mallikarjun Baladandi and other officials were present.

PA secures 500 Bond Sheets after Commissioner's transfer

1,200 sites sanctioned between May 9, 2024 and July 3, 2024

Mysuru, Aug. 14 (BCT)- When irregularities in the distribution of thousands of sites under various schemes, including the controversial 50:50 ratio, came to light in Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA), Urban Development Minister Byrathi Suresh announced on July 1, 2024, at MUDA Office in Mysuru that the then MUDA Commissioner G.T. Dinesh Kumar and Secretary Shekhar had been transferred.

The Minister had instructed MUDA officers not to make any decisions on pending site distributions until further orders and barred MUDA from distributing new sites. Shockingly, despite this directive, the Commissioner's Personal Assistant (PA) Prashanth obtained over 500 Security Bond Sheets (MUDA site allocation letters numbering 14342 to 14842 under invoice number 899) on July 3.

These documents have been procured through the Right To Information Act. Now, questions are being raised about why the Commissioner's PA obtained the Bond Sheets despite the clear directive from the Urban Development Minister and whom did he distribute them to.

What are Security Bond Sheets?

In 2007, a racket misused letters written by MUDA officers and forged their signatures to create fabricated site documents on lands and then sold them as genuine MUDA sites to unsuspecting customers. This racket flourished under the very nose of MUDA Officers.

However, after the racket was busted, Security Bond Sheets having fool-proof security and tamper-proof features were designed and MUDA started using them as allocation letters after 2007 as they cannot be tampered with.

These allotment letters or Security Bond Sheets have the features like the marks card of a University and each page has specially barcoded numbers so that once the code is scanned they can be distinguished from fabricated allocation letters.

Even before the scam came to light, between 16.5.2023 and 7.3.2024, as many as 760 Security Bond Sheets were procured by the MUDA Commissioner through his PA Prashanth. Between 9.5.2024 and 3.7.2024, 1,960 Security Bond Sheets were procured by the Commissioner's PA and 1,200 sites were sanctioned in just one month and 24 days.

Now, Security Bond Sheet Scam

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However, the Urban Development Minister's written reply in the Assembly last week stated that only 1,200 allotment letters have been issued by MUDA from 2021 to 2024. But records show that 4,839 site allotment letters were distributed during the same period.

Given that 4,839 High-Security Bond Sheets were procured over four years, the Minister's statement that only 1,200 allotment letters were issued raises serious questions about the fate of the remaining 3,639 allotment letters. What happened to these letters that were supposedly kept in the record rooms?

Only 500 Security Bond Sheets per year

Sources told this newspaper that every year, MUDA strictly prints only 500 Security Bond Sheets to prevent misuse and these letters are kept in the record room. Officially, beneficiaries are issued the allotment letters with a distinct barcode and number while a site is allotted.

These letters are then entrusted to an officer of engineer rank and their use must be meticulously recorded in a register, detailing the allotted site, name of the allottee and the site numbers that have been allotted.

However, numerous cases have surfaced where officials bypassed these protocols, concealing information and allegedly misusing the allotment letters. **Records show that from 6.4.2021 till 3.7.2024, over 5,000 allotment letters have been printed violating the 500 limit and that too when no new layouts have been formed. From 6.4.2021 till 3.7.2024, 4,839 allotment letters have been distributed.**

Sources said that these 4,839 allotment letters have been arbitrarily distributed to MUDA Commissioner, his PA, Tahsildars, Deputy Tahsildars, section officers, site engineers and zonal officers — which was open for misuse — instead of handing them over to a responsible officer for safe custody. The Commissioner's Personal Assistant himself has taken 1,960 allotment letters as evident by the signed documents with serial numbers.

"Instead of doing public work, MUDA officers, through middlemen and touts, openly indulged in the misuse of the allotment letters and gave them away to site aspirants or applicants to make money or even to the family members of officers and touts," sources said.

Surprisingly, MUDA issued 1,200 allotment letters in just 55 days — from May 9, 2024, to July 3, 2024 — indicating a sudden surge in activity and a last-minute rush.

Only Commissioner has authority

Under MUDA's rules, only the Commissioner has the authority to use or grant permission for the use of these allotment letters. The Secretary can act only with the Commissioner's approval. Even damaged sheets must be returned and must have a log entry. Despite these strict guidelines, clerical staff, in violation of the rules, have gained access to these allotment letters or Security Bond Sheets.

This breach has likely led to unauthorised site allotments, with some sites being registered under different names. Reports indicate that these allotment letters have been exploited to extort money, contributing to widespread corruption involving thousands of letters.

'Interrogate former Commissioners'

This scandal has ignited demands for a thorough investigation. The Government must interrogate former Commissioners, Secretaries, Special Tahsildars and the Commissioner's personal assistants. The evidence indicates that over 5,000 sites have been illegally allocated. I urge the Government to conduct a transparent investigation and reclaim the sites that rightfully belong to the people."

— **R. Raghu Kautilya,** President, Karnataka BJP OBC Morcha

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MYSORE WARRIORS geared up for this year's T20 battle

The much-awaited T20 bash — **KSCA Maharaja Trophy —** is back with a bang. The premier tournament which paves way for the budding cricketers and the experienced to showcase their talent will be held between Aug. 15 and Sept. 1 at M. Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru.

Our city's own Mysore Warriors team, which ended up as the runners-up in the last season, will be eyeing to lay their hands on the coveted trophy this season. The team owned by Cycle Pure Agarbathi has managed to select the best bunch of the players during the players' auction held on July 25.

While Karun Nair will be leading *Mysore Warriors* for the third consecutive time, the team has some of best exciting young players from the State who have the potential to represent State and the Country at the highest level. Players like Dhanush Gowda, who was a part of U-19 India team, Harshil Dharmani, Samit Dravid and E.J. Jasper are players to look out for in this season.

Apart from the youngsters, *Mysore Warriors* will also feature the experienced players like J. Suchith, M. Venkatesh, K. Gowtham, Prasidh Krishna and C.A. Karthik who have proved their potential at the highest level.

Rx. Murali, batting coach for Royal Challengers Bengaluru (RCB) Women's Team that won the Women's Premier League (WPL) this year, will continue as the Head Coach while former Karnataka players Vijay Madyalkar and Aditya B. Sagar are the Assistant Coaches.

***Mysore Warriors* will open their campaign against Shivamogga Lions tomorrow at 7 pm.**

The matches will be telecast live on Star Sports Kannada, Star Sports 2 channels, while online streaming will be available on Fancode.

The Knight behind the Warriors

City's N.R. Group, the makers of Cycle Pure Agarbathi, is a well-known business house across the globe. The company famous for its wide range of products is also known for its charitable works and for encouraging local sports talents coming out of Mysuru. Since the inception of the then Karnataka Premier League, now KSCA Maharaja Trophy T20 Tournament, the NR Group, the owners of *Mysore Warriors* franchise, has been encouraging the cricketers providing them with best of the facilities both on and off the field.

Star of Mysore caught up with **Arjun Ranga,** Managing Director of Cycle Pure Agarbathi and owner of Mysore Warriors to talk about the team's preparations for this year's tournament. **Excerpts...**

Star of Mysore (SOM): Can you let us know about the planning that was done ahead of this year's auction?

Arjun Ranga: We had a good team last year. However, we fell short of a fast bowler owing to Prasidh's unavailability. This year we wanted to strengthen our fast bowling department and with only one experienced spinner in Suchith, we wanted to have an experienced spin attack. Our batting department being the strongest, we wanted to maintain the same level of consistency. We have got a much better all-round team this year, which we intended to have before going into the auction.

SOM: What was the idea behind the Talent Hunt when you could have picked the entire squad from the auction?

Arjun Ranga: We had an extremely good Talent Hunt this year. There are a lot of talented players from Mysuru already playing in KSCA Maharaja Trophy T20 tournament for different teams. This year we were able to identify at least 10 youngsters with good potential from the catchment area. Looking at our team composition and after several rounds of discussions, we chose Kishan Bedare and Gowtham Sagar to be a part of *Mysore Warriors*.

SOM: Earlier the matches were being played in Tier-2 cities. Now the entire tournament is being held in Bengaluru. Don't you think the matches should also be held in mofussil centres?

Arjun Ranga: We definitely want to play in mofussil centers across the State where there is more crowd participation. Bengaluru as it is sees a lot of cricket including the international matches as well as the IPL. Cities like Mysuru, Hubballi and Shivamogga rarely get to witness high-quality matches. But the challenge the KSCA is facing is that the BCCI has given the window for the Maharaja Trophy from Aug. 15 to Sept. 1 during the monsoon season. We all know that the Chinnaswamy Stadium is the only stadium with SubAir system, a high-tech drainage system, which helps the ground staff to prepare the wicket and the ground within half-an-hour in case of rainfall. Under these circumstances, KSCA has no choice but to organise the tournament in Bengaluru. If BCCI gives us a different window, which the KSCA is trying to get, matches will come back to Tier-2 cities.

SOM: N.R. Group has always been at the forefront when it comes to encouraging upcoming sportspersons from the city irrespective of the sport. Could you deliberate on this?

Arjun Ranga: I remember in my younger days how difficult it was for a Mysuru-based sportsperson to make it to the next level. So as a family, we brothers came together and decided to support upcoming sportspersons from Mysuru as much as possible and that is how the *Mysore Warriors* are also a part of the NR family along with other sportspersons. Be it tennis, badminton, golf, athletics or any sport, we will try to support them to the best of our abilities.

SOM: Having supported many sportspersons over the years, are you happy with their performances?

Arjun Ranga: Definitely yes. If you look at the sporting talents we have supported in the last decade be it in any sports apart from cricket, they have all gone on to reach great heights at the national level. Sports build characters. At NR Group we will continue to support sports and sportspersons coming from our city and hope they will bring laurels to our country.**—VNS**

Leading Mysore Warriors is always an honour: Karun Nair

More than 7,000 runs in first-class cricket and 3,000 runs in T20s and of course the triple century against England in Chennai in 2016 speaks volumes about Karun Nair's cricketing abilities. Having represented Karnataka and Vidarbha in first-class cricket, this talented player has been a part of several T20 franchisees including KXIP, KKR, Delhi Daredevils, Rajasthan Royals and RCB previously. Currently, he is a part of Lucknow Super Giants in the Indian Premier League (IPL). Playing for Northamptonshire at the English County this year, Karun scored 202 not out against Glamorgan. Karun Nair, who is a part of KSCA Maharaja Trophy franchise *Mysore Warriors,* will be leading the team for the third consecutive time this year. *Star of Mysore* caught up with skipper for a brief chat as the team gears up for this year's tournament. **Excerpts...**

Star of Mysore (SOM): How has the team been preparing for this year's tournament?

Karun Nair: Firstly, we have managed to pick a really good balanced team similar to last year. We have focused on bridging the gaps we had in the last season. *Mysore Warriors* as a franchise has done well. The team has always entered the last stages of the tournament with featuring in the finals last season. This year, we are confident of emerging as champions.

SOM: How is it to be a part of the Mysore Warriors franchise?

Karun Nair: It is great to be part of *Mysore Warriors* and to be given the responsibility of leading the team which I think is the best in the entire tournament is an honour. We have the best backing from the team owners and management and as players we cannot ask for more from them. They have provided us with best of the facilities a player needs both on and off the field. With things being taken care by the management to create a positive atmosphere around us, we as players just need to go out there and express ourselves.

SOM: With a lot of youngsters being a part of Mysore Warriors team, how do you see the future of Karnataka cricket?

Karun Nair: I think we have a balanced team of both young and experienced players. This year, we have a lot of exciting players than the previous years because we managed to pick young and upcoming players who are doing well in the various age group levels which is a good sign for Karnataka cricket. It's a great opportunity for them to play under pressure and in front of the crowd. If few of them can take their game to the next level it is going to help them to build a bright future.

SOM: How was your stint with Northamptonshire?

Karun Nair: Northamptonshire was a really good experience. Last year I played three matches for them and this year seven. It was a great opportunity and experience. To do well in England is not an easy task for a batter and me to do well in England gave me great confidence, hopefully, those performances count.

SOM: Speaking about your career. You are among two Indian cricketers to score triple centuries. Do you think you were given less chance at the international level?

Karun Nair: It's been long now. I do not know what to say. I always focused on going out there performing well and keep trying my best. If I keep performing well I am sure of getting an opportunity.

SOM: Are you eyeing making a comeback into the Indian team?

Karun Nair: Yes. Of course. I am only 32-year-old. I don't have to look far for inspiration for players who have made comebacks much later in their career. There is nothing to stop me from making a comeback. I just have to go there and express myself with consistent performances like how I have been doing for the past one-and-a-half years.

We have a balanced team: Rx Murali

Rx Murali, a popular and successful coach among the cricketing fraternity, has been associated with *Mysore Warriors* since the season one of Karnataka Premier League (KPL) and now KSCA Maharaja Trophy. He has groomed many players who have done exceedingly well at the national level. He is also the batting coach of the RCB Women's team which won the WPL this year. *Star of Mysore* spoke to the Head Coach of *Mysore Warriors* to get more insights into the team's preparations for this year's tournament. **Excerpts...**

Star of Mysore (SOM): You have been the head coach of Mysore Warriors since the first season. What do you have to say about this year's team?

Rx Murali: It is a very exciting team as there is a mix of talented young cricketers who have been doing well in the U-19 and U-23 age group level and experienced players who have done exceedingly well.

SOM: Last season, the team did extremely well except for the finals. Your thoughts?

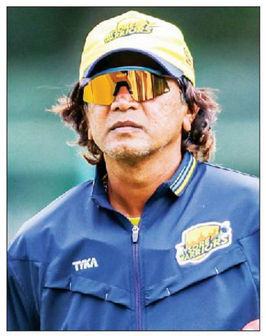
Rx Murali: I don't think we need to change much. I look at it from a different perspective. We did very well in the entire tournament to reach the finals. I would say that we were in the hunt till the last over. It is about continuously making the right decisions at the right time and that is something we need to get better each time we go out there.

SOM: Having practice sessions in Mysuru, how do you think it will help the team's preparations considering different ground conditions in Bengaluru?

Rx Murali: Cricket is one sport where conditions are changing constantly be it the weather, the condition of the ground, the wicket and the ball as well. It is a unique game where you will never get to play in the same condition throughout the day. Good cricketers are the ones who adapt to different conditions and execute their skills on the field.

SOM: How important are tournaments like these for budding cricketers?

Rx Murali: Fortunately or unfortunately, tournaments like these play an important role for cricketers. The tournament is televised and it is very popular. Though we have the Syed Mushtaq Ali Tournament at the national level, somehow it has failed to catch the attention of the public. So in a tournament like this, a player will be noticed fast if he delivers well under pressure and his journey becomes easy.



SOM: You were a part of the Tamil Nadu Premier League (TNPL) and Maharaja Trophy as well. Do you see the change in how the game is being played?

Rx Murali: Both are similar tournaments but their characteristics are slightly different. It goes by the condition and to environment the players are exposed. In Karnataka, the wickets are bouncy and are good for pacers. Our batters play well against them as well. But, in TNPL there are a lot of spinners and batters play well against them. Our response is a little different. We are more aggressive as players while they are more cautious. The game is very exciting in TNPL as there are a lot of left-handers when compared to Karnataka.

SOM: Coming back to Mysore Warriors, what do you have to say about Cycle Pure Agarbathi and NR Group?

Rx Murali: The management has the right intent which is m ost important for a cricket team. Be it any sport Cycle Pure Agarbathi has always given opportunities to talented players. I am lucky to be associated with them right from day one as every season I get to learn and become a better person.

SOM: How was the experience with the RCB Women's team as a batting coach?

Rx Murali: This season with RCB was once in a lifetime experience. The feeling of emerging as champions has been phenomenal. From the day we started working for the tournament and till the last day, energy remained constant and the trust within the team was so good that we were confident of winning the tournament and so we did.**—VNS**

MYSORE WARRIORS SQUAD

1. KARUN NAIR [CAPTAIN]

- RIGHT HAND BAT
- RIGHT ARM OFF SPIN

REPRESENTATION
- India Test Team
- Ranji Trophy - Karnataka and Vidarbha
- Captained India A team, Karnataka & Mysore Warriors
- IPL - Mumbai Indians, Rajasthan Royals, India A, Delhi Capitals, KXIP, Sunrisers Hyderabad, KKR & LSG.
- Warrior for the 3rd year.

2. PRASIDH KRISHNA

- RIGHT ARM FAST
- RIGHT HAND BAT

REPRESENTATION
- India & India A
- Karnataka - Ranji Trophy, Vijay Hazare & Syed Mushtaq Ali
- IPL - Kolkata Knight Riders & Rajasthan Royals
- Warrior for the 2nd year

3. J. SUCHITH

- LEFT ARM SPIN
- LEFT HAND BAT

REPRESENTATION
- Karnataka – Ranji Trophy, Vijay Hazare & Syed Mushtaq Ali
- IPL – Mumbai Indians, Delhi Capitals, Kings XI Punjab & Sunrisers Hyderabad
- Maharaja Trophy - Bengaluru Blasters
- Warrior for the 7th year

4. K. GOWTHAM

- RIGHT HAND BAT
- RIGHT ARM OFF SPIN

REPRESENTATION
- India - ODI
- Karnataka – Ranji Trophy, Vijay Hazare & Syed Mushtaq Ali
- IPL – Rajasthan Royals, Chennai Super Kings, Kings XI Punjab, Mumbai Indians & Lucknow Super Giants
- Warrior for the 4th year

5. MANOJ BHANDAGE

- LEFT HAND BAT
- RIGHT ARM FAST MEDIUM

REPRESENTATION
- Karnataka – Vijay Hazare & Syed Mustaq Ali
- Karnataka – U16, U19, U23 & U25
- IPL - RCB
- Maharaja Trophy - Gulbarga Mystics and Mysore Warriors
- Warrior for the 2nd year

6. C.A. KARTHIK

- RIGHT HAND BAT
- RIGHT ARM MEDIUM FAST

REPRESENTATION
- Sikkim - Ranji Trophy
- Karnataka - U23 & U25
- Maharaja Trophy - Gulbarga Mystics and Mysore Warriors
- Warrior for the 2nd year

7. SUMIT KUMAR

- RIGHT HAND BAT
- WICKET KEEPER

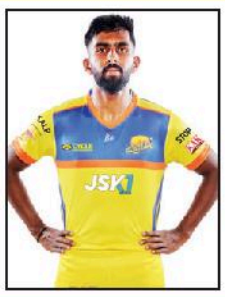
REPRESENTATION
- Jharkhand - Ranji Trophy, Vijay Hazare and Syed Mustaq Ali
- Karnataka - U16, U19 and U23
- Warrior for the 1st year.

8. C.S. VIDYADHAR PATIL

- RIGHT ARM MEDIUM FAST
- RIGHT HAND BAT

REPRESENTATION
- India U19 World Cup, Asia Cup
- Karnataka – Ranji Trophy, Syed Mushtaq Ali and Vijay Hazare Trophy
- Karnataka - U14, U16, U19 & U23
- Warrior for the 2nd year

9. M. VENKATESH



- RIGHT ARM MEDIUM FAST
- LEFT HAND BAT

REPRESENTATION
- Karnataka - Ranji Trophy, Vijay Hazare & Syed Mushtaq Ali
- Karnataka - U19, U23 & U25
- All India Inter University & Vizzy Trophy
- Maharaja Trophy - Mangalore United and Mysore Warriors
- Warrior for the 3rd year

10. KISHAN BEDARE

- RIGHT HAND BAT
- RIGHT ARM LEG BREAK

REPRESENTATION
- Karnataka Ranji Trophy
- Karnataka State U25, U23 & u16
- Warrior for the 5th year

11. MD SARFARAZ ASHRAF

- LEFT HAND BAT
- LEFT ARM CHINAMAN

REPRESENTATION
- Ranji Trophy
- Railways – Vijay Hazare & Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy
- Karnataka – U19 & U23 Maharaja Trophy Bengaluru Blasters (2023)
- Warrior for the 1st year

12. GAUTAM MISHRA

- RIGHT HAND BAT
- LEFT ARM MEDIUM FAST

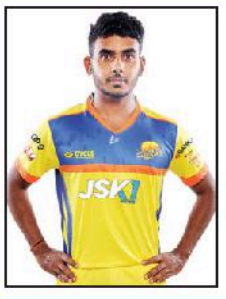
REPRESENTATION
- Karnataka State U23 Zonals in U19 & U23 age group
- Warrior for the 2nd year

13. S.U. KARTHIK

- RIGHT HAND BAT
- RIGHT ARM OFF SPIN

REPRESENTATION
- KSCA Presidents XI - Dr. Thimmappaiah Trophy
- Represented Mysore University
- Warrior for the 2nd year

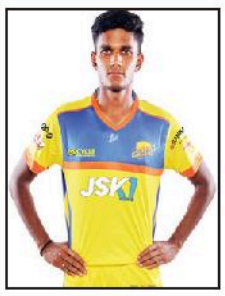
14. DEEPAK DEVADIGA



- RIGHT HAND BAT
- RIGHT ARM LEG BREAK

REPRESENTATION
- Mangalore Zone
- Maharaja Trophy: Shivamogga Lions
- Warrior for the 1st year

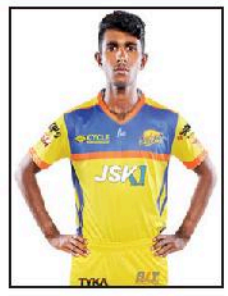
15. DHANUSH GOWDA



- RIGHT ARM MEDIUM FAST
- RIGHT HAND BAT

REPRESENTATION
- India – ICC U19 World Cup 2024
- Karnataka State – U19, U23 & U16
- U19 NCA
- Warrior for the 1st yea

16. E.J. JASPER



- RIGHT HAND BAT
- RIGHT ARM MEDIUM FAST

REPRESENTATION
- Karnataka State – U14, U16 & U19
- Highest wicket taker for Karnataka in U16 & U19
- Maharaja Trophy -Bengaluru Blasters (2023)
- Warrior for the 1st year

17. HARSHIL DHARMANI

- RIGHT HAND BAT
- WICKET KEEPER

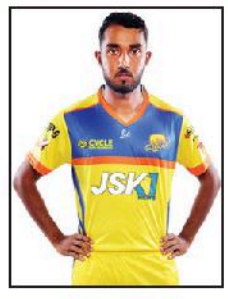
REPRESENTATION
- Karnataka State – U19
- NCA U19
- Bangalore Zone
- Warrior for the 1st year

18. SAMIT DRAVID

- RIGHT HAND BAT
- RIGHT ARM MEDIUM FAST

REPRESENTATION
- Karnataka – U14 & U19
- ZCA U 19
- NCA U19
- Warrior for the 1st year

19. SMAYAN SRIVASTAVA



- RIGHT ARM MEDIUM FAST
- RIGHT HAND BAT

REPRESENTATION
- Karnataka State – U14 & U16
- Warrior for the 1st year

20. GOWTHAM SAGAR

- RIGHT HAND BAT
- RIGHT ARM MEDIUM FAST

REPRESENTATION
- Karnataka - U16 & U 19 age group
- University of Mysore
- Warrior for the 4th year

Mysore Warriors Schedule

DATE	MATCHES	TIME
Aug. 15	Shivamogga Lions	7.00 pm
Aug. 16	Kalyani Bengaluru Blasters	7.00 pm
Aug. 18	Gulbarga Mystics	3.00 pm
Aug. 19	Mangaluru Dragons	7.00 pm
Aug. 21	Hubli Tigers	7.00 pm
Aug. 22	Shivamogga Lions	3.00 pm
Aug. 24	Gulbarga Mystics	3.00 pm
Aug. 25	Kalyani Bengaluru Blasters	3.00 pm
Aug. 27	Hubli Tigers	7.00 pm
Aug. 28	Mangaluru Dragons	3.00 pm
Aug. 30	Semi Final 1 (T1 Vs T4)	7.00 pm
Aug. 31	Semi Final 2 (T2 Vs T3)	7.00 pm
Sept. 1	Final	7.00 pm

All matches will be played at M. Chinnaswamy Stadium in Bengaluru.

F.K. Irani Golf Cup-2024 from Aug. 17

Mysuru, Aug. 14 (VNS)- Sri Kanteerava Narasimharaja Sports Club (Mysore Sports Club) will be organising a two-day F.K. Irani Golf Cup-2024 in memory of Farrokh K. Irani, Industrialist and former President of Mysore Sports Club from Aug. 17 at Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Golf Club (JWGC).

The tournament will be inaugurated by Kanteerava Narasimharaja Sports Club President M.C. Mallikarjun on Aug. 17 at 8 am.

The prizes to the winners will be given away by Raian F. Irani, former President and Managing Committee Member of Indian Golf Union. More than 140 golfers from Mysuru, Kodagu and Bengaluru will be participating in the tournament, according to a press release.

Vinesh Phogat disqualification case

CAS to announce verdict on Aug. 16

Paris, Aug. 14 (Agencies)- The eagerly awaited verdict by the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) on Indian wrestler Vinesh Phogat's appeal against her disqualification from 50 kg freestyle event at Paris Olympics 2024 has been postponed to Aug. 16.

"By application of Article 18 of the CAS Arbitration Rules for the Olympic Games, the President of the CAS Ad Hoc Division extends the time-limit for the Panel to give a decision until 16 August 2024 at 18.00 hrs (Paris time)," the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) said in a statement.

Vinesh Phogat

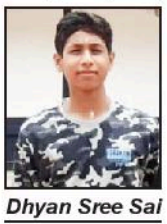
The hearing, which took place yesterday, lasted three hours and saw detailed arguments from Phogat's legal team.

Senior Advocates Harish Salve and Vidushpat Singhania, along with the Krida Legal team, represented Phogat. Dr. Annabelle Bennett AC SC from Australia is the sole arbitrator overseeing the case.

The Indian Olympic Association (IOA) remains hopeful for a positive outcome and continues to support Phogat throughout this process. The decision on Phogat's appeal will be closely watched by the sports community and fans alike.

Selected for 53rd National KV Sports Meet

Mysuru, Aug. 14- G. Dhyan Sree Sai, a student of Kendriya Vidyalaya (KV), Mysuru, has been selected to represent the State in Lawn Tennis at the 53rd National KV Sports to be held at New Delhi from Sept. 9.



Dhyan Sree Sai

Meanwhile, S.K. Kshitij of Kendriya Vidyalaya, RBI campus, will also represent the State in Lawn Tennis.

Steaming & Whistling

Stationary Heritage train engine whistles and steams after 40 years

Mysuru, Aug. 14 (MTY & VNS)- The Heritage Steam Locomotive kept for public display from the past two years at the main gate of Central Workshop, Mysuru South in Ashokapuram, will whistle, release smoke and turn on its headlights once in every hour starting from tomorrow.

Chief Workshop Manager Om Prakash Shaw and Deputy Chief Workshop Manager B. Anjaneyulu and their team have given a new look to the heritage steam engine to educate the public about the old engines. People passing on the Manandavadi Road can see the engine placed on the pedestal by the Central Workshop.

Sources said that, an electronic device has been installed to whistle, release smoke and turn on the headlights once in every hour. The Railway authorities used to illuminate the engine during the Republic Day and Independence Day celebrations. However, this year it was decided to give the heritage loco a new look.

The Heritage Loco Model ES-507 manufactured in the year 1926 at Kerr, Stuart and Co, Ltd in London was brought to India by the then Mysore State Railway (MSR) at a cost of Rs. 1,65,865.

The engine used to haul six narrow gauge passenger coaches between Bengaluru and Bangarpet from 1926 to 1983. The Loco has carrying capacity of 4.5 ton of coal and 5,490 litres of water. The engine was de-commissioned after 63 years of service in 1983. It is now on display at Central Workshop signifying the glorious heritage of Indian Railways.

City school enters record books

City's Purna Chetana School entered the record books with 525 students performing mass sports drills blindfolded holding the National Flag and for creating the largest Indian National Flag, measuring 96 square metres (12 metres x 8 metres), completed in 4 hours and 5 minutes using 96,000 origami balls crafted from recycled paper. The world records were officially certified by Bhavana Navaneeth, Adjudicator from Elite World Records and P.G. Pratibha, Adjudicator from Asian Records Academy and India Records Academy.

Humanity shines through tragedy-struck Wayanad

Communal strife-torn communities set aside tensions; join hands in a unified response

SOM SPOT REPORT

Wayanad, Aug. 14 (MTY& BCT)- The recent landslide in Mundakkai and Chooralmala of Wayanad district, Kerala, has served as a wake-up call, shedding light on humanity's capacity for compassion in the darkest of times.

In the face of immense loss and pain, people from all religions have come together to support those affected, embodying the true spirit of humanity.

This disaster, one of the most severe in South India's history, has led to the recovery of over 418 bodies and body parts, with more than 150 individuals still missing. Despite the scale of the tragedy, the search efforts continue with unwavering dedication. People from diverse religious backgrounds are uniting in these efforts, sending a powerful message that 'humanity is one.

Moved hearts

To aid the victims of the Mundakkai and Chooralmala landslides, the Indian Army, National Disaster Response Force (NDRF), State Disaster Response Force (SDRF), local Police, Forest Department, Fire and Rescue Services Department and various organisations are working tirelessly.

Compassionate individuals are risking their lives in service, while hundreds of local families have mobilised to support the rescue teams. Here, distinctions of caste and religion dissolve as people extend a helping hand.

Small, often impoverished families are contributing tea, coffee, milk, biscuits and other snacks to those involved in the rescue operations.

Walking only mode of movement

The landslide, originating from Poonjari Mattam, has devastated Mundakkai and Chooralmala. Though the Indian Army has constructed a bridge allowing light motor vehicles to cross, many rescuers must travel on foot.

Vehicles are parked 1-2 kilometres away from Chooralmala school, and the remaining distance is covered on foot. Along this route, local residents are providing coffee, tea and snacks to weary rescuers. The outpouring of support illustrates that humanity remains steadfast even in the darkest times. As they navigate this challenging terrain, the local community, driven by an unyielding spirit of service, has stepped up in remarkable ways. Near the iron bridge built by the Army, many are eagerly waiting to supply meals and refreshments.

Beyond caste and religion

The disaster has also acted as a powerful reminder of unity in diversity. In a region where religious and political tensions have sometimes marred communal harmony, the landslide has catalysed an unprecedented coming together of people.

Hindus, Muslims and Christians from surrounding areas like Meppadi, Sultan Bathery, and Kalpetta have set aside their differences, joining hands in relief efforts. This convergence of faiths and communities in the face of adversity underscores the fundamental message that 'humanity is one.'

Tragedy knows no religion

Mundakkai, Chooralmala and nearby villages, once known for their scenic beauty and harmonious coexistence, have become a symbol of both tragedy and triumph. These villages, once bustling with tourists drawn to their waterfalls, resorts and tea estates, now lie in ruin. Yet, in the face of this disaster, the collective spirit of people from all three religions shines brightly, offering a powerful testament to the enduring strength of human compassion and unity.

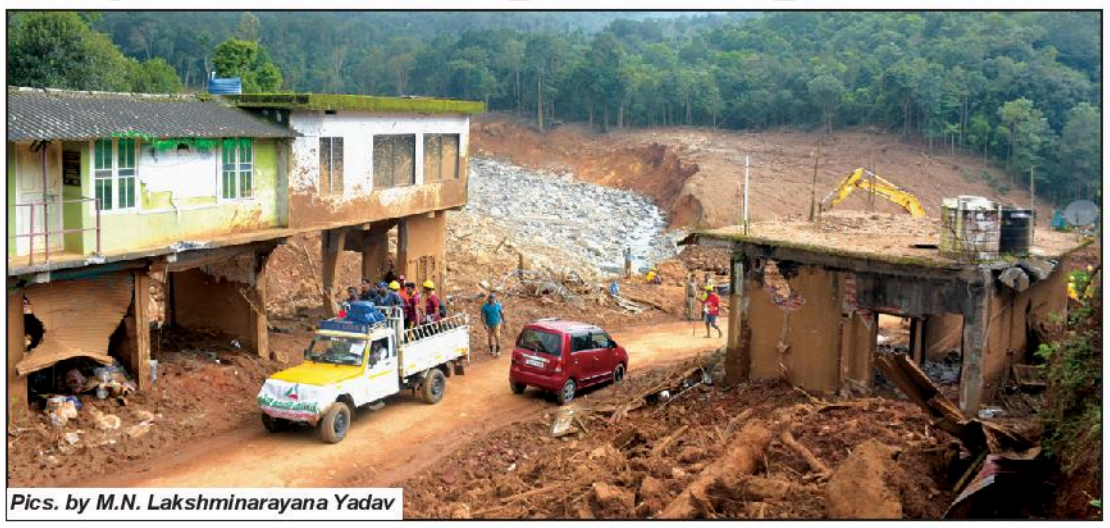
In the heart of this devastation, where the earth itself has become a grave for many, the actions of these communities offer a glimmer of hope and a reminder that even in darkest of times, the light of humanity continues to burn brightly.

Mundakkai: A paradise turned to ruins by unforgiving landslides

Wayanad, Aug. 14 (MTY& TRR)- The once vibrant village of Mundakkai in Wayanad district, Kerala, now stands as a stark reminder of nature's unforgiving power.

Devastated by recent heavy landslides, the village wears a heavy, mournful silence. Even after 15 days, the community is still grappling with the aftermath of this catastrophe that shook the entire nation. Survivors of the landslide are living in a state of profound shock and despair, their lives shattered. Massive rocks, the same that once rolled down with unstoppable force, are now scattered across the village, marking the very ground where dreams were buried.

These rocks symbolise the destruction that claimed lives and livelihoods, crippling the economic pulse of the region. In a place once known as 'God's Own Country' for its breathtaking beauty, a deep sense of helplessness now lingers, as if even the divine had turned away.



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Once a haven for tourists

Mundakkai and its surrounding areas were once a haven for tourists, a true paradise where lush greenery, flowing rivers, captivating waterfalls, and modern resorts blended seamlessly with nature's finest offerings. But after the fateful day of July 26, this slice of heaven has been engulfed by an overwhelming sense of grief and helplessness.

The village of Mundakkai, once home to about 350 houses, now lies in ruins, almost entirely obliterated by the devastating landslides. Those fortunate enough to survive are now left with the harrowing memory of those who did not. Many bodies were swept away by the relentless rains, leaving only a few to be recovered within the village. Survivors, desperate to find their loved ones, continue their search, often finding remains far from where they were lost.

Now a landscape of mud and debris

The once-vibrant greenery has been replaced by a bleak landscape of mud and debris. The flowing rivers, which once symbolised life and beauty, are now marred by soil erosion. The transformation is so severe that it feels as though this beautiful village, now a ghost of its former self, might never be revived. The destruction is beyond imagination, leaving an indelible scar on what was once a cherished gem of Kerala.

"We were living in Mundakkai village with my parents in a small house. I lost my parents in the landslide. I haven't seen them since and the pain has driven me to the brink of madness. No one should have to endure this kind of suffering," said Rajesh, a survivor of the Mundakkai tragedy.

City docs, medicos take out candle light march against Kolkata rape, murder

Mysuru, Aug. 14 (PM&BS)- Hundreds of doctors and medicos took out a candle light procession in the city last evening, condemning the recent incident of rape and murder of a post-graduate trainee doctor at R.G. Kar Medical College and Hospital in Kolkata.

The procession was taken out jointly under the aegis of Indian Medical Association (IMA), Mysuru branch, Mysore Medical College Resident Doctors Association, Karnataka State Government Medical Officers Association, MMC and RI Teachers Association, All India Democratic Students Organisation (AIDSO), with Under Graduate (UG) and Post Graduate (PG) medical students of MMC & RI joining them.

The rally was flagged off from K.R. Hospital premises and culminated at J.K. Grounds after passing via Irwin Road.

The rallyists demanded fast paced judicial probe into the incident and stringent punishment to the guilty, besides providing adequate safety to doctors, medical students and the support staff at the college and work place.

President of IMA Mysuru Branch Dr. Jayanth, former President Dr. Sujatha Rao, Vice-Presidents Dr. Chandrabhan Singh and Dr. Manjunath, Secretary Dr. Shivashankar, Treasurer Dr. Rajapur Parashuram, Secretary of Mysore Medical College Resident Doctors Association Dr. Manish Shetty, President of Karnataka State Government Medical Officers Association, Mysuru chapter, Dr. Jagadish, Treasurer Dr. Brinda, doctors Mamatha, Kaveri and Shobha, President of AIDSO District Committee Chandrakala, Secretary Nithin, office-bearers Chandrika, Hemalatha, Chandana and Disha took part in the candle light procession.

Vedikes condemn attack on Hindus in Bangladesh

Mysuru, Aug. 14 (SBD&BS)- Members of Hindu Jagarana Vedike and Janamana Vedike staged a protest condemning the attack on Hindus in Bangladesh, at Chamundipuram Circle in the city last evening.

Following a puja to the portrait of *Bharat Mata* at the Circle, the protesters, holding candle light, held various placards in Kannada, meaning as follows: *Are Hindus in Bangladesh devoid of human rights, Don't be crestfallen, We are with you...*

Ex-Corporator M.V. Ramprasad, who led the protest, regretted that the Hindus in Bangladesh are being attacked, with their houses and offices set on fire. Some of them have lost their lives in the melee, with the people of the community becoming victims of volatile political situation there.

The World Health Organisation (WHO) should register a strong protest against the killings and the houses where Hindus reside should be provided adequate security. Amidst this, there is a gradual decline in the population of Hindus in both Bangladesh and Pakistan, rued Ramprasad.

President of BJP Krishnaraja Constituency Unit Gopalraje Urs, Jeevadhara Girish, Umashankar, Mahesh, Lakshminarayan, Manjunath, Apoorva Suresh, Somesh, Rangaswamy, Shivalingachar, Ravi, Nagendra Harsha, Nagaraj, Chandru, Aravind, Kavya and others took part.

Dalit Organisation to take out

Mysuru-Bengaluru padayatra from tomorrow

Bengaluru, Aug. 14 (DM)- Strongly condemning the Valmiki Development Corporation and MUDA site allotment scams, the Dalit Sangharsha Samiti (Bheemavada) will take out a Mysuru - Bengaluru Padayatra from Mysuru tomorrow (Aug. 15).

Addressing a press meet in Bengaluru yesterday, Samiti President R. Mohanraj alleged that the Congress Government has been cheating the SC/ST communities ever since it came to power 15 months ago.

Maintaining that the Government had diverted Rs. 25,000 crore SC/ST development funds for its Guarantee Schemes and other purposes, Mohanraj said that the padayatra, which will be launched from Mysuru on Aug. 15 will reach Vidhana Soudha in Bengaluru on Aug. 20, following which a memorandum will be submitted to the Governor.

Two-day 'Udyami Vokkaliga' meet begins in city

Mysuru, Aug. 14 (BLU&DM)- 'Udyami Vokkaliga,' a two-day Annual Delegates and Investors Meet-2024, organised by First Circle (FC) Society, began at Hotel Southern Star on Vinoba Road here this morning.

The meet was inaugurated by Adichunchanagiri Mutt Seer Dr. Sri Nirmalanandanatha Swamiji in the presence of Mysuru Shakha Mutt's Sri Someshwarnatha Swamiji, FC Chief Mentor Jayaram Raipura, IPS Officer Prakash Gowda, MLAs G.T. Devegowda and K. Harishgowda, former Mayor Modamani, Congress leaders M. Lakshmana, Sandesh Nagaraj and others.

The meet provides an opportunity for entrepreneurs, business owners and start-ups to pitch their ideas or businesses to potential investors in order to secure funding or support. The event concludes tomorrow.

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Freedom fighters feted

Mysuru, Aug. 14 - The District Administration recently felicitated three freedom fighters at their residences in city ahead of 78th Independence Day celebrations.

Following directions from Mysuru Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy, Tahsildar Mahesh Kumar visited the houses of freedom fighters Y.C. Revanna in Bogadi, M. Somashekaraiah in Saraswathipuram and Gopala Iyengar in K.R. Mohalla and felicitated them.

Additional Tahsildar Vishwanath, Deputy Tahsildar Anand, City Revenue Inspector and Rural Revenue Inspector were present.

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WORD OF THE DAY

Sentient

Pronunciation: SEN-shee-unt (Adjective)
Meaning: Sentient is a formal term that typically describes being conscious of or responsive to sensations of seeing, hearing, feeling, tasting, or smelling.
Origin: You may have guessed that sentient has something to do with the senses. The initial spelling sent- or sens- is often a giveaway for such a meaning. A sentient being is one who perceives or responds to sensations of whatever kind—sight, hearing, touch, taste, or smell. Sentient ultimately comes from the Latin verb sentire, which means "to feel" or "to perceive." (The Latin noun sensus means "sense.") A few related English words that descend from the same Latin root are sentiment and sentimental, which have to do with emotions, sensual, which relates to more physical sensations, and the trio of assent, consent, and dissent, which involve expressions of agreement (or disagreement in the case of dissent) in thought and feeling with another.
Example: "In other scenes in which Vesta isn't messy and cruel, it looks uncanny, as so much of it feels constructed by sentient life even though the planet is untouched by humans. As the show moves from parched flatlands to savannas and tropical forests, there are intrusions on familiar scenery, like crystalline rivers or smooth stone structures, some of which pulse and breathe like a living thing." — Kambole Campbell, Vulture, 31 May 2024

THE ODD WORD

Blatherskite

A person who talks at great length without making much sense.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

As Far as I Can See

Meaning: The phrase 'As Far as I Can See' means in a way that I understand.
Origin: No one knows for sure what the origin of 'As far as I can see' is. Its literal meaning is 'the distance I can see unimpeded,' but its idiomatic meaning is quite different. The first recorded use of word 'see' in reference to mind or imagination was in days of Middle English, around the year 1200.
Example: "As far as I can see, he has done nothing to lower our confidence in him."

QUOTE BOX

If you want others to be happy, practice compassion. If you want to be happy, practice compassion. **—Dalai Lama**

RIDDLE THIS

I saw my math teacher with a piece of graph paper yesterday.

Answer: I think he must be plotting something.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Pear variety
5 Footwear
9 CPR specialist
12 Unique or singular person
13 Turn ___ : run away after a rout?
14 United State Steamship, abbr.
15 India's melody queen
16 Fall apart
18 Muscat native
20 Weary sound
21 Country in the Middle East
24 Whacks or hits hard
27 Constellation : The water carrier?
31 Deep groove
32 Throw violently
33 Love story (1953) of Raj Kapoor and Nergis?
34 Grow weary
35 A wheeled vehicle drawn by horses
36 Sharply defined? (5-3)
38 Magical incantation
41 Biblical wisemen
42 Part of speech
44 Chose or selected
48 Thoroughly wet
52 Language similar to Hindi
53 ___ Aviv : capital of Israel?
54 Sister of Osiris
55 To go on horseback
56 "Gangnam Style" rapper
57 Go out with
58 An alcoholic radical

DOWN

1 Machete - "obol" change?
2 Most important festival of Kerala
3 Coarse stiff hair - "seat" anagram?
4 Of the Skull
5 State Trdg. Corp.
6 Monetary unit of Vietnam - "o ha" anagram?
7 Paints used by an artist
8 New York island?
9 In a state of bliss
10 Short for 'manuscripts'
11 T.S. Eliot's initials
17 Above ground level
19 Like some vbs.
22 Artificial Intelligence Advisory Committee
23 Misgiving
25 Spiritual teacher
26 Let it stand!
27 Attitude-Heading Ref. Sys.
28 Clever saying or epigram
29 In a most pressing manner
30 African tree whose seeds are used as food and in soap manufacture
34 Indian state neighbouring Bangladesh
37 Have _ __ at : essay or attempt? (1,2)
39 Pet name for Louis?
40 Violent or sensational
43 US space agency
45 Cut down to shape
46 A small whirlpool
47 A fight between two people as a matter of honour
48 Rockers Stone Temple Pilots in short
49 Roman bronze
50 __ for tat : "jaise ko taisa" in vernacular?
51 Suffix denoting place or ownership ?

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

O	L	A	■	F	A	C	E	■	F	O	R	D
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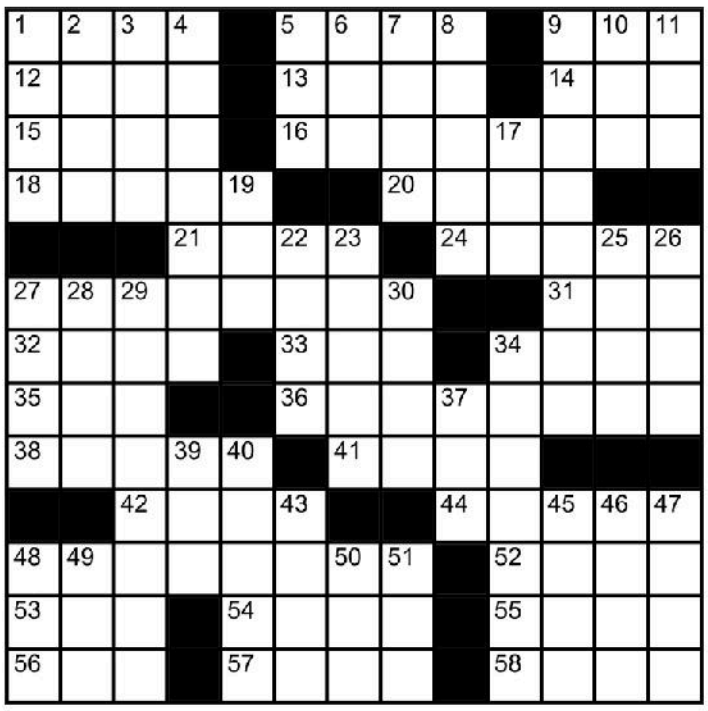

SUDOKU

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	8	3				2		
	2			3	9			
2	6				3			
7	4			1			5	3
			5				2	4
			4	5			9	
		4				8	3	
				9				7

Answer to previous puzzle

2	9	8	3	6	4	1	5	7
6	5	4	9	7	1	2	3	8
3	1	7	8	5	2	9	6	4
4	3	5	6	8	9	7	1	2
1	2	6	4	3	7	8	9	5
8	7	9	1	2	5	6	4	3
5	8	1	2	4	6	3	7	9
7	6	3	5	9	8	4	2	1
9	4	2	7	1	3	5	8	6

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

Q XPVCT AOXKDOH QM QTJCN GPOM PO

BOQCVLOH NPQN PO PQH Q BVYPN MKN KMCF

NK AO BVYPN AJN QCHK NK AO GBKMY.

TODAY'S CLUE: P EQUALS H

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Our doubts are traitors and make us lose the good we oft might win by fearing to attempt.

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  Bad Newz (H) - 4 Shows
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  Bheema (K) - 4 Shows
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  Bheema (K) - 4 Shows
- **Thibbadevi Theatre** — **Ph: 2452958**
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  Park (Ta) - 4 Shows
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- **Woodlands Theatre** — **Ph: 2422871**
  Raayan (Ta) - 4 Shows

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Deadpool & Wolverine (E-3D)	(S-1)	10.55 am, 1.35 pm, 4.20 pm
Krishnam Pranaya Sakhi (K)	(S-1)	7 pm
Bheema (K)	(S-1)	10.10 pm
	(S-2)	12.55 pm, 4.05 pm
	(S-4)	10 am, 1 pm, 4 pm
		7 pm, 10 pm
Mr. Bachchan (Te)	(S-2)	7 pm, 10 pm
It Ends With Us (E)	(S-3)	10.30 am, 1.20 pm, 4.10 pm, 7 pm
Stree 2 (H)	(S-3)	9.55 pm

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Andhagan (Ta)	(S-1)	1.30 pm, 6.30 pm
Pechi (Ta)	(S-1)	4.15 pm
Super Zindagi (Ma)	(S-1)	9.15 pm
Bheema (K)	(S-2)	9.30 am,12.30 pm, 3.30, 6.30, 9.30 pm
	(S-3)	4.45 pm, 7.45 pm
Raayan (Ta)	(S-4)	1.15 pm, 9.30 pm

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Borderlands (E)	: 9.40 am, 12 noon, 5.20 pm 7.40 pm, 10.15 pm
Bheema (K)	: 9.50 am,11.45 am, 1 pm, 4.10 pm 6.35 pm, 7.20 pm, 10.30 pm
Blackpink World Tour Born Pink in Cinemas (Korean)	: 10.20 am, 4.50 pm
Ulajh (H)	: 11 am
Trailers Screening Show	: 12 noon
Deadpool & Wolverine (E-3D)	: 12.35 pm, 9.30 pm
Deadpool & Wolverine (H-3D)	: 6.35 pm
It Ends With Us (E)	: 12.35 pm, 6.25 pm, 9.45 pm
Andhagan (Ta)	: 1.55 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (Ta)	: 2.55 pm, 10 pm
Ghuspaithiya (H)	: 3.30 pm
Raayan (Ta)	: 3.30 pm
Partner (H)	: 7.05 pm
Adios Amigo (Ma)	: 9.20 pm

1st Floor, Garuda Mall. Mob: 9901373210

Bheema (K)	: 9.20 am, 11 am, 12.30 pm, 3.40 pm 5.20 pm, 6.50 pm, 8.30 pm, 10 pm
Deadpool & Wolverine (E-3D)	: 12.15 pm, 6.05 pm
Kabandha (K)	: 12.45 pm
Committee Kurrollu (Te)	: 2.10 pm
Andhagan (Ta)	: 3.10 pm
Idu Entha Lokavayya (K)	: 3.30 pm
Raayan (Ta)	: 6.05 pm. 9.30 pm

INOX — LIVE the MOVIE

Mall of Mysore - Mob: 7829999465

Bheema (K)	: 9.50 am, 1 pm, 4.10 pm 7.20 pm, 10.30 pm
Trailers Screening Show	: 10.25 am
Deadpool & Wolverine (E-3D)	: 10.30 am, 7.25 pm
Ghuspaithiya (H)	: 11.05 am, 5.05 pm
Minmini (Ta)	: 1.25 pm
Raayan (Ta)	: 2 pm
Andhagan (Ta)	: 4.30 pm
Chak De! India (H)	: 10 pm
Kalki 2898 AD (E)	: 10.20 pm

INOX Centro Mysore - Mob: 9606976757

Bheema (K)	: 10.05 am, 11.30 am, 2.40 pm 4.10 pm, 5.50 pm, 7.20, 9 pm
Deadpool & Wolverine (E-3D)	: 10.20 am, 4.20 pm, 10.20 pm
Idu Entha Lokavayya (K)	: 11.35 am
Ghuspaithiya (H)	: 1.15 pm, 10.30 pm
Raayan (Ta)	: 1.15 pm, 7.15 pm, 10.10 pm
Kabandha (K)	: 2.10 pm
Genius Mutta (K)	: 4.55 pm
Super Zindagi (Ma)	: 7.20 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15.

EVENTS TODAY (AUG. 14)

- **Sri Avadhoota Datta Peetham and Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram:** 21st Chaturmasya Vrata Deeksha by junior pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji, Srichakra Puja, Maha Ganapathy Homa, Kumkumarchana, **9 am;** Chaturmasya Discourse on Sri Brahmanda Purana, Universal Prayer Hall, Ashram premises, **6.30 pm.**
- **Simon Exhibitors:** 'Karnataka Sambhrama-50' Mega Consumer Expo, Dasara Exhibition Grounds, **4 pm to 9.30 pm.**
- **Sharana Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru City Unit and Kadali Mahila Vedike, Mysuru:** 'Vachana-Shravana - Mane Manege Shravana Masada Shravana Sandesha,' lecture by H.B. Anitha (Researcher, Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies, University of Mysore), residence of M.C. Sundara, HIG-1703, 9th Cross, Ramakrishnanagar, **5.30 pm.**
- **Suttur Mutt, Mysuru:** Shravana Masa Pujanushtana, special puja, morning; Mass prayer, **6 pm;** Dr. K. Anantaramu delivers discourse on 'Shivatatva Chintamani,' written by Lakkanna Dandesha; Vaachana by Vidu. M.V. Shubha Raghavendra, Suttur Mutt, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (AUG. 15)

- **District Administration:** 78th Independence Day celebrations, District Minister Dr. H.C. Mahadevappa hoists National Flag, MLA Tanveer Sait presides, Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Wadiyar chief guest, Chamarajanagar MP Sunil Bose, MLAs G.T. Devegowda, G.D. Harish Gowda, T.S. Srivatsa, Darshan Dhruvanarayan, K. Harishgowda and D. Ravishankar; MLCs A. H. Vishwanath, Dr. D. Thimmaiah, C.N. Manjegowda, Dr. Yathindra Siddaramaiah, Madhu G. Madegowda, K. Vivekananda chief guests, MUDA Chairman K. Marigowda and KEA Chairman Ayub Khan will be present, Torchlight Parade Grounds, Bannimantap, **9 am;** Cultural programmes, MLA Harishgowda presides, Kalamandira, **5 pm.**
- **Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan (BVB):** 78th Independence Day and Investiture ceremony, Maj. Gen. (Retd.) S.G. Vombatkere, chief guest; BVB Chairman Dr. K.B. Ganapathy presides, BVB playground, Vijayanagar, **9.30 am.**
- **University of Mysore:** Independence Day celebrations, flag hoisting, Crawford Hall, **7.30 am.**
- **Vidyavardhaka Educational Institutions:** 78th Independence Day, Retired Professor, Department of History, Maharani's College Dr. B.V. Sudhamani, hoists the National Flag; VVS Administrative Board Member S. Shivalingaiah chief guest; Hon. Treasurer Srishaila Ramannavar presides; Principal, Vidyavardhaka College Dr. S. Marigowda; Principal, Vidyavardhaka Law College Dr. Deepu; Principal, Vidyavardhaka PU College Siddaiah and Vice-Principal, Vidyavardhaka Composite PU College K.M. Suresh will be present, Open Air Theatre, Vidyavardhaka Institution premises, Seshadri Iyer Road, **7.30 am.**
- **Karnataka State Open University (KSOU):** I-Day celebrations, KSOU VC Prof. Sharanappa V. Halase presides; former MLC D. Madegowda main speaker; Registrar, KSOU, Mysuru Prof. K.B Praveena will be present, in front of Administrative Block, KSOU premises, **8 am.**
- **Gokulam Nagarikabhivrudhi Sangha:** I-Day celebrations, Maj. Purushotham, chief guest; Suresh and Rangarajan special invitees; ex-Corporator Bhagya Mahadesh presides, Kuvempu Park, Gokulam 2nd Stage, **8 am.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Seva Sangha - Ramakrishna Vidyakendra and RKVK Composite PU College:** I-Day celebrations, Department of Commercial Taxes Deputy Commissioner Ramesh Narasaiah, chief guest; Sri Ramakrishna Seva Sangha President M. Papegowda presides; Ramakrishna Vidyakendra Executive Officer Prof. G. Chandrashekar and RKVK Principal C. Shivappa will be present, School premises, Ramakrishnanagar, **8 am.**
- **Srikanta Educational Institutions and K.N. Varadaraja Iyengar Memorial Trust:** I-Day celebrations, Retired Political Science Professor K.P. Paramashivaiah hoists the National Flag; Trust Treasurer N.S. Rangarajan,presides, Educational Institutions premises, Shankar Mutt Layout, Khille Mohalla, **8.30 am.**
- **Mysore Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI):** I-Day celebrations, MCCI President, K.B. Lingaraju hoists the National Flag, MCCI, No. 54, Devaraj Urs Road, **9 am.**
- **Chamundi Children's Home:** I-Day celebrations, Chairperson of Child Welfare Committee (CWC), Mysuru H.T. Kamalamma hoists the National Flag; Independence Day Message by Ln. M.C. Nandakumar; CWC members E. Dhananjaya, Milagrin D'Souza, C. Ashoka and T.S. Savitha Kumari will attend, Chamundi Children's Home, Brindavan Extension, **9 am.**
- **Mahajana Education Society (MES):** I-Day celebrations, former Director, Department of Physical Education, UoM Dr. C. Krishna hoists the National Flag; Secretary of MES Dr. T. Vijayalakshmi Muralidhar, presides; MES President T. Muralidhar Bhagawat will be present, Mahajana First Grade College premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **9 am.**
- **Karnataka Ursu Mahamandali Charitable Trust:** I-Day celebrations, flag hoisting by B.S. Sridhara Raj Urs, Trust President,Amarnath Raje Urs,Founder-President,Anveshana Trust, Dr. M.G.R. Urs, Hon. President and Dr. Indukala Urs, President, Ursu Mahila Trust, guests of honour, in front of Venugopala Swamy Temple, Thyagaraja Road, **9.15 am**
- **Basava Bharata Pratishtana:** Lecture on 'Bhavya Bharatakke Swatantrya 78 Varsha - Basava Dharmakke Samvidhana Badda Manyathe Yendu' by former High Court Judge Arali Nagaraj, Somashekar's House, Anuraga Makkala Mane, Devirammanahalli, Nanjangud, **9 am to 1.30 pm.**
- **P.R. Thippeswamy Pratishtana, Mysuru:** Artiste and Folk Scholar P.R. Thippeswamy birth anniversary celebrations, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal offers floral tributes, CAVA Dean Basavaraj S. Musavalagi, chief guest, Pratishtana President Dr. Rajashekar Kadamba, presides, Sri Kalaniketana, Vijayanagar 2nd Stage, **11 am.**
- **Nrityagiri Performing Arts & Research Centre:** *Nritya Sanje*, Bharatanatyam recital by Vidushis Spoorthi Bhat and Ranjitha Rao, Nrityagiri Auditorium, **6 pm.**
- **Suttur Mutt, Mysuru:** Shravana Masa Pujanushtana, special puja, morning; Mass prayer, **6 pm;** Dr. B.V. Vasanthkumar, delivers discourse on 'Shivatatva Chintamani,' written by Lakkanna Dandesha; Vaachana by Vidu. Vasantha Venkatesh, Suttur Mutt, foot of Chamundi Hill, **6.30 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Ashram:** Swami Jnanayoganandaji speaks on 'Srimad Bhagavadgita,' in Kannada, Swami Shambhavanandaji memorial auditorium, Ashram premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

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